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1. IN WAKE OF DISMISSALS IN FINANCE MINISTRY REPORTED
REFTEL, PRESIDENT NIMEIRI MADE FOLLOWING GOVERNMENT
APPOINTMENTS JAN. 25 (PREVIOUS POSITIONS IN PARENTHESES):

- VICE PRESIDENT MUHAMMED EL BAGHIR AS MINISTER OF INTERIOR,
VICE ABDALLA AL-HASSAN;
- DR. MANSOUR KHALID (FOREIGN MINISTER), AS MINISTER OF
EDUCATION, VICE SIR AL-KHATIM AL-KHALIFA;
- BADR AL-DIN SULIMAN (WHIP, PEOPLE'S ASSEMBLY) AS MINISTER
OF INDUSTRY AND MINING, VICE MUSA AWAD BALLAL; HE WILL
CONTINUE TO BE ASSISTANT SECRETARY GENERAL, SUDAN SOCIALIST
UNION (SSU);
- MUHAMMED AL-TOM EL-TIJANI (SECRETARY FOR YOUTH, SSU) AS
MINISTER OF STATE FOR GENERAL EDUCATION, VICE DR. MUHAMMED
KHEIR OSMAN;
- OTHWAN DAK (MEMBER OF PEOPLE'S ASSEMBLY), AS MINISTER OF
STATE FOR POPULAR LOCAL GOVERNMENT, VICE SAMEUL LUBAI;
- MAJOR ZEIN AL-ABDIN MUHAMMED AHMED ABDEL GADIR (PRIVATE
BUSINESSMAN AND MEMBER REVOLUTIONARY COMMAND COUNCIL ABOLISHED
IN SEPT. 1972) AS MINISTER IN NEW MINISTRY OF YOUTH, SPORTS

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AND SOCIAL WELFARE;

- KARRAR AHMED KARRAR (COMMISSIONER OF GEZIRA PROVINCE) AS MINISTER OF POPULAR LOCAL GOVERNMENT, VICE DR. JAAFAR MUHAMMED ALI BAKHEIT;
- AHMED ABDEL HALIM (LEADER OF PEOPLE'S ASSEMBLY), AS MINISTER OF CULTURE AND INFORMATION, VICE OMER AL-HAJ MUSA; HE WILL CONTINUE TO BE ASSISTANT TO SECRETARY GENERAL, SUDAN SOCIALIST UNION;
- DR. AWN AL-SHARIF GASSIM (PRESIDENT OF COUNCIL FOR RELIGIOUS AFFAIRS AND ENDOWMENTS), AS MINISTER IN NEW MINISTRY OF AWQAF AND RELIGIOUS AFFAIRS;
- MUSTAFA OSMAN HASSAN, AS MINISTER OF CONSTRUCTION AND PUBLIC WORKS, PROMOTED FROM MINISTER OF STATE RANK;
- MAMOUN BIHEIRI (CHAIRMAN OF DEVELOPMENT AND FINANCIAL AND ECONOMIC AFFAIRS COMMITTEE, PEOPLE'S ASSEMBLY), AS MINISTER OF FINANCE AND NATIONAL ASSEMBLY, VICE IBRAHIM MONEIM MANSOUR.

2. PRESIDENT ALSO ANNOUNCED FOLLOWING APPOINTMENTS:

- ABDALLAH AL-HASSAN (MINISTER OF INTERIOR) AS SECRETARY GENERAL FOR THE PRESIDENCE OF THE REPUBLIC, WITH PERSONAL RANK OF MINISTER, IN NEW OFFICE COMBINING STATE AND GOVERNMENT SECRETARIATS;
- AHMED BABIKIR ISA (SEC. GEN. OF THE GOVERNMENT), AS COMMISSIONER GEZIRA PROVINCE;
- JAAFAR MUHAMMED ALI BAKHEIT (MINISTER OF LOCAL GOVERNMENT HOUSING AND SOCIAL DEVELOPMENT) AND OMER AL-HAJ MUSA (MINISTER OF CULTURE AND INFORMATION), AS ASSISTANTS TO THE SECRETARY GENERAL, SSU;
- JAAFAR MUHAMMED ALI BAKHEIT ALSO AS WHIP OF PEOPLE'S ASSEMBLY, REPLACING AHMED ABDEL HALIM;
- MUSA AWAD BALLAL (MINISTRY OF INDUSTRY AND MINING) AND MUHAMMED KHEIR OSMAN (MINISTER OF STATE FOR GENERAL EDUCATION), AS QUOTE AMBASSADORS UNQUOTE IN MINISTRY OF FOREIGN AFFAIRS;
- DR. ABDALLA GALANDAR (ADVISOR FOR YOUTH, SSU), AS SECRETARY OF YOUTH COMMITTEE, SSU.

3. POSITION OF MINISTER OF FOREIGN AFFAIRS IS TO REMAIN VACANT QUOTE FOR TIME BEING UNQUOTE. DR. MAHMOUD HASEEB WAS REMOVED UNCLASSIFIED

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AS DEPUTY MINISTER FOR LOCAL GOVERNMENT, BUT NO REPLACEMENT WAS ANNOUNCED. ASSEMBLY QUOTE WIPE UNQUOTE POSITION ALSO STILL VACANT.

4. IT ALSO ANNOUNCED JAN. 25 THAT COUNCIL OF MINISTERS WAS TAKING OVER FUNCTIONS PREVIOUSLY EXERCISED BY SUPREME PLANNING COUNCIL.

5. COMMENTS FOLLOW BY SEPTTEL.
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